



PARISH OF ST GEORGE

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SUNDAY 13th July 2025

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

St Simon Stock and the Brown Scapular

The Brown Scapular is a Marian devotion which originated at about the same time as the Rosary, and like the Marian shrine at Walsingham, had its origin in England. In the thirteenth century, during the time of the Crusades, Simon Stock went on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land where he met a group of hermits on Mount Carmel.

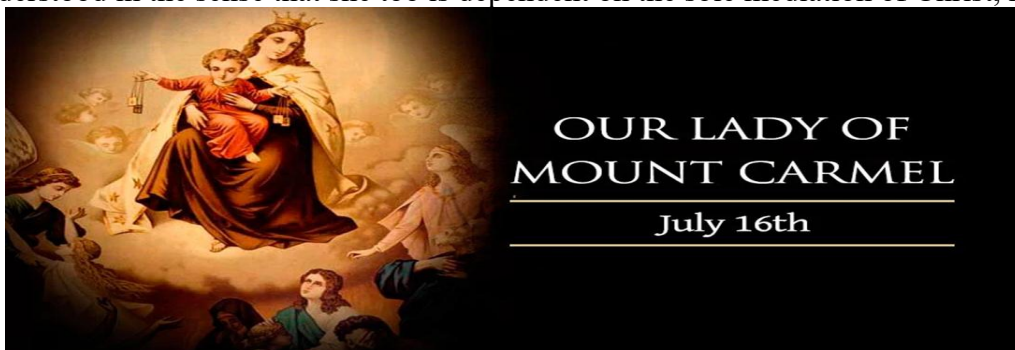
These claimed to be the successors of Elijah and his followers, and, attracted by their way of life, Simon returned with them to England when the situation became too dangerous in Palestine because of the Saracens.

They settled at Aylesford in Kent and in 1254 Simon was elected Superior-general of the now mendicant Carmelites, who were regarded somewhat like the other mendicant orders such as the Franciscans and Dominicans.

Simon founded other houses as the order began to grow but he faced many problems as the original 'solitary' ideal of the hermits changed towards the more communal approach of the mendicants. These weren't just internal problems, as older orders also resented the arrival of these newcomers with their own particular devotion to Mary.

Simon withdrew to his monastic room or 'cell' – probably at Cambridge by this time – to try and gain some relief from the problems faced both by himself and his Carmelite order, and in order to pray to Mary; it was then that he had his famous vision of her bringing the Brown Scapular to him with the following words, which are preserved in a fourteenth century narrative: "This will be for you and for all Carmelites the privilege, that he who dies in this will not suffer eternal fire."

The Scapular promise is based on the two elements of Mary's spiritual maternity and her mediation of grace, that is that she is the 'spiritual' mother of all mankind, as well as the 'channel' by which all grace comes to us, understood in the sense that she too is dependent on the sole mediation of Christ, her son.



OUR LADY OF
MOUNT CARMEL

July 16th

<u>Readers</u>	Sat 6:30	Sun 09:30	Sun 11:00
	Roland Young	Jewel Joby	Alicia Gabrielle Prunier

If you wish to join the Reader's Rota, please complete the form in the porch.

Confession is available before each vigil & Sunday Mass, before 6:00pm Mass on Friday & upon request

Sat 12 Jul	6:30 PM	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	In reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Sun 13 Jul	9:30 AM		People of the parish
	11:00 AM		For offences against the 3 rd Commandment
Mon 14 Jul	10:00 AM	OM: St Camillus de Lellis	Molly White RIP
Tue 15 Jul	10:00 AM	M: St Bonaventure	Micheal Speed
Wed 16 Jul	No Mass	OM: Our Lady of Mount Carmel	
Thu 17 Jul	10:00 AM	Ferial	Alfred Young RIP
Fri 18 Jul	6:00 PM	Ferial	Jarvis Family (L&D)
		Holy Hour	
Sat 19 Jul	6:00 PM	Rosary	
	6:30 PM		Families of the Parish
Sun 20 Jul	9:30 AM	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Those suffering loneliness
	11:00 AM		For offences against the 1 st Commandment

Weekly Collection We wish to thank you all for your ongoing generosity in the upkeep of the parish.

Sunday 6th July - £277.22

Weekly Standing Orders - £112.00

It would help greatly with paying in and processing at the bank if any cheques to the church are made payable to: "**St George Whitchurch**" which is the correct name for the parish account.

The church will be opened/unlocked during daytime hours from 9:00AM to 5:00PM except on Wednesdays and when the priest is not around/local. All are welcome to drop into the church for quite prayer with the Lord truly present.

If there are any people, house bound or otherwise who would like the priest to visit, Fr Humphrey is very happy to call to see them. Please ring the parish phone and leave a message or send an email.

OUR LADY OF THE MIRACULOUS MEDAL PARISH
PROJECT 4, QUEZON CITY

THE CARMELITE SCAPULAR

It is **NOT** a magical charm to protect you & an automatic guarantee of salvation- an excuse for not living up to the demands of the Christian life

It is a **SIGN** which stands for the decision to follow Jesus like Mary:

- Open to God and to his will,
- Guided by faith, hope and love,
- Close to the needs of people,
- Praying at all times & discovering God is present in all that happens around us.

It is a **SIGN** that points to a renewed hope of encountering God in eternal life with the help of Mary's protection and intercession..



Our Lady of Mount Carmel



Our parish safeguarding representative is Helen Clarke